

# BULLETIN

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Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee: Triodion Begins Today February 9, 2020



Our 2020 Parish Council was affirmed on Sunday, January 12, 2020.

"I, do solemnly affirm that I will uphold the dogmas, teachings, traditions, holy canons, discipline, worship and moral principles of the Greek Orthodox Church, as well as the Charter and Regulations of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America, and that I will fulfill faithfully and sincerely the duties and obligations required of a member of the Parish Council. So help me God."



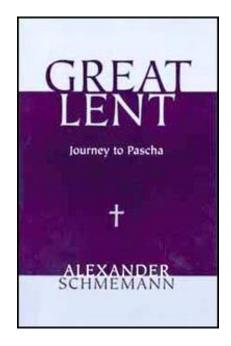
## Service Schedule:

Sunday Services Orthros 9:00am Divine Liturgy 10:00am

**Monday**, February 10<sup>th</sup> 9am – 11am Orthros & Divine Liturgy Feast day of St. Charalambos

**Monday,** February 10<sup>th</sup>- introducing our NEW **Bible Study/Book Club- 6:30pm-7:30pm (Every Monday)** Great Lent by Alexander Schmemann-Buy your copy today for \$12

**Saturday,** February 22- 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the souls 9am-11am Orthros & Divine Liturgy and Memorial Service (Kolyva)



## **Today in Church**



**WE CELEBRATE** the Leavetaking of the Presentation of Our Lord and Savior in the Temple, Nicephoros the Martyr of Antioch, Markellos, Philagrios, & Pankratios the Hieromartyrs, Teilo, Bishop of Llandaff

#### Usher Duty: Team C- Lucy Brady, Dimitri Koutsopoulos, Toni Kananis

**2020 PARISH COUNCIL**: Brian Goodale, President; Maria Dostis, Vice President; Alexandra Casey, Treasurer; Scott Morlock, Secretary; Roubina Morgan, Lucy Brady, Dimitri Koutsopoulos

**WE CONGRATULATE** our newest parish council member Roubina Morgan. Welcome to the team!



## **Great Lent Schedule**

## February

Saturday, February 22 - Saturday of the souls \* 9am-11am Orthros & Divine Liturgy and Memorial Service (Kolyva) Sunday, February 23 - Judgment Sunday (Meatfare Sunday) \* 9am Orthros & 10am Divine Liturgy Saturday, February 29 – Saturday of the souls \* 9am-11am Orthros & Divine Liturgy and Memorial Service (Kolyva)

## March

Sunday, March 1 - Forgiveness Sunday (Cheesefare Sunday)

\* 9am Orthros & 10am Divine Liturgy

\* 5pm Sunday Vespers - St. Andrews Brotherhood attending and Lenten Meal hosted by our Parish

Monday, March 2 - Clean Monday- Great Lent Begins

\* 6:30pm Bible Study/ Book Club- Great Lent by Schmemann

#### Wednesday, March 4

\* 6:30pm Presanctified Liturgy
\* 8pm Lenten Meal hosted by our Parish Friday, March 6

 \* 6:30pm Salutations to the Virgin Mary (Οι Χαιρετισμοί της Θεοτόκου)
 Saturday, March 7 - Saturday of the souls
 \* 9am-11am Orthros & Divine Liturgy and Memorial Service (Kolyva)

Sunday, March 8 - Sunday of Orthodoxy

\* 9am Orthros & 10am Divine Liturgy

\* 5pm Sunday Vespers - St. Basil's OCA in Watervliet

#### Monday, March 9

\* 630pm Bible Study/ Book Club- Great Lent by Schmemann

Wednesday, March 11

\* 10am Presanctified Liturgy

Friday, March 13

\* 6:30pm Salutations to the Virgin Mary (Οι Χαιρετισμοί της Θεοτόκου)

Sunday, March 15 - Sunday of St. Gregory Palamas

\* 9am Orthros & 10am Divine Liturgy

\* 5pm Sunday Vespers - St. Basil's Greek Church in Troy

#### Monday, March 16

\* 6:30pm Bible Study/ Book Club- Great Lent by Schmemann

Friday, March 20

\* 6:30pm Salutations to the Virgin Mary (Οι Χαιρετισμοί της Θεοτόκου)

Sunday, March 22 - Sunday of the Holy Cross \* 9am Orthros & 10am Divine Liturgy \* 5pm Sunday Vespers - St. George Antiochian Church in South Glens Falls Monday, March 23 -\* 6:30pm Bible Study/ Book Club- Great Lent by Schmemann Wednesday, March 25 - Annunciation of the Theotokos (Εὐαγγελισμός τῆς Θεοτόκου) \* 9am-11am Orthros & Divine Liturgy Friday, March 27 \*6:30pm Salutations to the Virgin Mary (Οι Χαιρετισμοί της Θεοτόκου)

Sunday, March 29 - Sunday of St. John Climacus – Greek Independence Day Parade \* 9am Orthros & 10am Divine Liturgy \* 5pm Sunday Vespers - St. George's Antiochian Church in Albany



Monday, March 30

\* 6:30pm Bible Study/ Book Club- Great Lent by Schmemann

## April

Friday, April 3 \* 6:30pm Akathyst Hymn

Sunday, April 5 - Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt \* 9am Orthros & 10am Divine Liturgy \* 5pm Sunday Vespers - St. George Greek Church in Pittsfield, MA Monday, April 6 \* 6:30pm Bible Study/ Book Club- Great Lent by Schmemann Wednesday, April 8 \* 10am Presanctified Liturgy Friday, April 10 \* 5pm Vespers of Lazarus \* 5:30pm Mini- Youth Retreat \* 6pm Family Palm Making Event Saturday, April 11 – Saturday of Lazarus \* 9am – 11am Orthros & Divine Liturgy Sunday, April 12 – Palm Sunday \* 9am Orthros & 10am Divine Liturgy followed by Fish Luncheon in the Hellenic Center

## **Holy Week**

Sunday, April 12 – Palm Sunday \* 6:30pm Bridegroom Service Holy Monday, April 13 \* 6:30pm Bridegroom Service Holy Tuesday, April 14 \* 6:30pm Bridegroom Service - Hymn of Kassiani Holy Wednesday, April 15 \* 6pm Holy Unction Service Holy Thursday, April 16 - The Mystical/ Last Supper \* 9:30am Vesperal Liturgy \* 6pm The 12 Gospels - The Passion of Christ Holy Friday, April 17 \* 9:30am Royal Hours \* 3pm Apokathelosis \* 6pm Epitaphios/ Lamentations Holv Saturday, April 18 \* 9:30am Vesperal Liturgy \* 11pm Resurrection Service Sunday, April 19 – Pascha/Easter Sunday

\* 10:30am Agape Vespers

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Call or email us to join our Email list to receive all our Bulletins, Schedules, and Community Updates. We thank our Office Secretary Camille Kosloski, Scott Morlock, Chris Pappis, and all group leaders for their hard work in completing this Newsletter/ Bulletin. For updates for the Bulletin, please call or email the office by Wednesdays at 2pm.



## Hymns of the Day

#### Entrance Hymn

Έγνώρισε Κύριος τὸ σωτήριον αὐτοῦ ἐναντἰον πάντων τῶν ἐθνῶν.

Σῶσον ἡμᾶς Υἱἑ Θεοῦ, ὁ ἀναστὰς ἐκ νεκρῶν, ψάλλοντάς σοι, Ἀλληλούïα.

#### **Resurrectional Apolytikion in Mode 1**

Τοῦ λίθου σφραγισθέντος ὑπὸ τῶν Ἰουδαίων, καὶ στρατιωτῶν φυλασσόντων τὸ ἄχραντόν σου Σῶμα, ἀνἑστης τριἡμερος Σωτήρ, δωροὑμενος τῷ κόσμῷ τὴν ζωήν· διὰ τοῦτο αἱ Δυνἀμεις τῶν οὑρανῶν ἐβόων σοι ζωοδότα. Δόξα τῆ Ἀναστάσει σου Χριστἑ, δόξα τῆ βασιλεἰα σου, δόξα τῆ οἰκονομἰα σου, μόνε φιλὰνθρωπε.

#### For the Feast

Χαΐρε κεχαριτωμένη Θεοτόκε Παρθένε· ἐκ σοῦ γὰρ ἀνἑτειλεν ὁ ὅΗλιος τῆς δικαιοσὑνης, Χριστὸς ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, φωτἰζων τοὺς ἐν σκότει. Εὐφραίνου καὶ σὺ Πρεσβὑτα δίκαιε, δεξἁμενος ἐν ἀγκἁλαις τὸν ἐλευθερωτὴν τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν, χαριζόμενον ἡμῖν καὶ τὴν Ἀνἁστασιν.

#### Apolytikion of St. George

Ως τών αιχμαλώτων ελευθερωτής, και τών πτωχών υπερασπιστής, ασθενούντων ιατρός, βασιλέων υπέρμαχος, τροπαιοφόρε μεγαλομάρτυς Γεώργιε, πρέσβευε Χριστώ τώ Θεώ θήναι τάς ψυχάς ημών.

#### Seasonal Kontakion in the Fourth Mode

Ο μήτραν παρθενικὴν ἀγιἀσας τῷ τὀκῷ σου, καὶ χεῖρας τοῦ Συμεὼν εὐλογήσας ὡς ἔπρεπε, προφθἀσας καὶ νῦν ἔσωσας ἡμᾶς Χριστὲ ὁ Θεὀς. Ἀλλ' εἰρἡνευσον ἐν πολἑμοις τὸ πολἰτευμα, καὶ κραταίωσον Βασιλεῖς οὓς ἡγἀπησας, ὁ μόνος φιλἀνθρωπος.

#### Entrance Hymn

The Lord made known His salvation in the sight of all the Gentiles.

Save us, O Son of God, risen from the dead. We sing to You, Alleluia.

#### **Resurrectional Apolytikion in Mode 1**

The stone had been secured with a seal by the Judeans, \* and a guard of soldiers was watching Your immaculate body. \* You rose on the third day, O Lord \* and Savior, granting life unto the world. \* For this reason were the powers of heaven crying out to You, O Life-giver: \* Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ; \* glory to Your kingdom; \* glory to Your dispensation, only One who loves mankind.

#### For the Feast

Lady full of grace, rejoice, O VirginTheotokos, for Christ our God, the Sun of righteousness has risen from you and He illumined those in darkness. And you, righteous Elder, be glad in heart, receiving in your embraces the One who liberates our souls and bestows on us the Resurrection.

#### Apolytikion of St. George

Liberator of captives, defender of the Poor, physician of the sick, and champion Of kings, O trophy-bearer, Great Martyr George, intercede with Christ God that our souls be saved.

#### Seasonal Kontakion in the Fourth Mode

You sanctified the virginal womb by Your birth, O Lord, and blessed the hands of Symeon fittingly, O Christ God; and even now You came and saved us. Now, give peace to our Nation in time of war, and empower our Leaders, so loved by You, the only one who loves humanity.



## **Gospel and Epistle Readings**

#### The reading is from Paul's Letter to the Timothy 3:10-15

Τέκνον Τιμόθεε, παρηκολούθηκάς μου τῆ διδασκαλία, τῆ ἀγωγῆ, τῆ προθέσει, τῆ πίστει, τῆ μακροθυμία, τῆ ἀγἀηῃ, τῆ ὑπομονῃ, τοῖς διωγμοῖς, τοῖς παθἡμασιν, οἶἀ μοι ἐγἐνοντο ἐν Ἀντιοχεία, ἐν Ἱκονίω, ἐν Λύστροις· οἴους διωγμοὺς ὑπἡνεγκα καὶ ἐκ πἀντων με ἐρἀύσατο ὁ Κὑριος. Καὶ πἀντες δὲ οἱ θἑλοντες εὐσεβῶς ζῆν ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ διωχθήσονται· πονηροὶ δὲ ἄνθρωποι καὶ γόητες προκόψουσιν ἐπὶ τὸ χεῖρον, πλανῶντες καὶ πλανώμενοι. Σὺ δὲ μἐνε ἐν οἶς ἕμαθες καὶ ἐπιστώθης, εἰδὼς παρὰ τίνος ἕμαθες, καὶ ὅτι ἀπὸ βρἑφους τὰ ἱερὰ γρἁμματα οἶδας, τὰ δυνἀμενὰ σε σοφίσαι εἰς σωτηρίαν διὰ πίστεως τῆς ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ τῷ Κυρἰῳ ἡμῶν.

Timothy, my son, you have observed my teaching, my conduct, my aim in life, my faith, my patience, my love, my steadfastness, my persecutions, my sufferings, what befell me at Antioch, at lconion, and at Lystra, what persecutions I endured; yet from them all the Lord rescued me. Indeed all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, while evil men and impostors will go on from bad to worse, deceivers and deceived. But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings which are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

#### The Gospel According to Luke 2:22-40

#### Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee

Εἶπεν ὁ Κύριος τὴν παραβολὴν ταὐτην. Ἄνθρωποι δύο ἀνέβησαν εἰς τὸ ἱερὸν προσεὐξασθαι, ὁ εἶς Φαρισαῖος καὶ ὁ ἔτερος τελώνης. ὁ Φαρισαῖος σταθεὶς πρὸς ἑαυτὸν ταῦτα προσηὑχετο· ὁ Θεὀς, εὐχαριστῷ σοι ὅτι οὐκ εἰμὶ ὥσπερ οἱ λοιποὶ τῶν ἀνθρώπων, ἄρπαγες, ἄδικοι, μοιχοἱ, ἢ καὶ ὡς οὖτος ὁ τελώνης· νηστεὑω δἰς τοῦ σαββἀτου, ἀποδεκατῷ πἀντα ὅσα κτῶμαι. καὶ ὁ τελώνης μακρόθεν ἑστὼς οὐκ ἤθελεν οὐδὲ τοὺς ὀφθαλμοὺς εἰς τὸν οὐρανὸν ἐπᾶραι, ἀλλ' ἔτυπτεν εἰς τὸ στῆθος αὐτοῦ λἑγων· ὁ Θεὀς, ἰλἀσθητἱ μοι τῷ ἁμαρτωλῷ. Λἑγω ὑμῖν, κατἑβη οὖτος δεδικαιωμἑνος εἰς τὸν οἶκον αὐτοῦ ἢ γὰρ ἐκεῖνος· ὅτι πᾶς ὁ ὑψῶν ἑαυτὸν ταπεινωθήσεται, ὁ δὲ ταπεινῶν ἑαυτὸν ὑψωθήσεται.

The Lord said this parable, "Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week, I give tithes of all that I get.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but he who humbles himself will be exalted."





## Philoptochos News

The Ladies Philoptochos would like to thank everyone who supported our Spaghetti & Meatballs Dinner and Auction on Sunday, January 26, 2020. Special thanks to our Dinner Co-Chairs: Gladys Paravalos, Soula Tsakopiakos and Aleka Menagias and to Eliana Georgelos who coordinated the baskets and gift cards for the auction. It was a fun event enjoyed by all. We are especially grateful to those who made donations of food, beverages, desserts and gift baskets. You know who you are but more importantly God knows who you are.

"Go Red For Women" is the American Heart Association's national call to increase awareness and help prevent heart disease, the number one cause of death in American women. This is a call for women, by women, to take charge of their well-being and live stronger, healthier lives. In accordance with the National Philoptochos Women's Health Initiative, our chapter has designated Sunday, February 9, 2020 "GO RED SUNDAY" and we ask all Philoptochos sisters and parishioners to wear red to church on this day. Printed material on heart disease and prevention will be made













## WELCOME TO OUR FAMILY

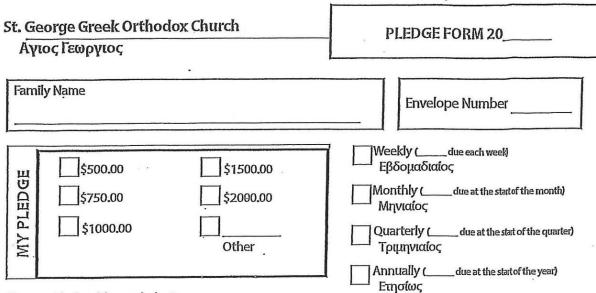
**2020 Stewardship Pledges:** We thank all the members listed below who have submitted their 2020 stewardship pledge as of January 26, 2020. We hope that all of you will please submit your pledges as soon as possible. We are grateful all for your contributions to our church family.

Mrs. Lucy Brady & Family Mr. Andreas Christou & Ms. Sophia Shakolas Mr. & Mrs. Euripides Christou Mrs. Catherine Contompasis Mrs. Rena Counavelis Mr. & Mrs. Chris Dafniotis Olga Delorey Mr. & Mrs. Michael Euripidou & Family Ms. Renee Euripidou Mr. Arthur Georgelas & Family Mrs. Helena Georgelas Mr. Nicholas Georgelas Mrs. Eliana Georgelos Mr. & Mrs. Brian Goodale & Family Mr. & Mrs. Dimitri Grivas Mrs. Frusina Ica Iancu

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How much should you pledge?

Consider this.... in order to meet our budget, we need each family to pledge a minimum of \$650. That equals \$12.50 a week for the year.

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Some of the many ministries we invite you to participate in

ANGELS (Pre-K - Kinder.) HOPE (1st-2nd grade) JOY (3rd - 6th grade) GOYA (7th-12th grade) YAL (Age 18-35) Philoptochos The Fellowship Bible Study / Book Club Books and Education **Greek School** Sunday School Altar Servers Parish Council **Outreach & Evangelism Building and Grounds** Strategic Planning Choir/Chanter Fundraising



## From the desk of Fr. Neofitos

Sparingly do I use Facebook. Mostly, I use it for the church and for updating the faithful. My personal cover page is the icon of the prodigal son. He is being embraced by his father. I put the cover up last year during this time as we began our journey toward Great Lent and sacred and Holy Pascha, Our Lord's passion and Resurrection.



I find it very fitting to leave this icon up all year round.

The spirit of this parable summarizes our life's journey toward our eternal father in seeking his kingdom. The immediate and warm embrace of the prayerful father in this parable is a promise from our Lord. This is the reception that awaits us. This journey we are embarking on toward Great Lent is meant to be a small preaseason of our whole life's journey toward eternity.

In this parable, we are shown the power of forgiveness. Once we truly look inward and approach our Father in repentance, we are restored and strengthened. We are all imperfect and we lose our way often. Life offers us many trials and tribulations. Just as the father in the parable does not remain angry, our heavenly Father holds no grudges once we turn to him.

The lesson my dear brothers and sisters of this parable and of our Lenten journey can be summed up with the sacrament of Holy confession. Our repentance is required in order for us to truly seek and discover our Lord.

During this holy period, our church provides many services. Salutations, Liturgies, Presanctified Liturgies, Bookclub, etc... These are opportunities and prescriptions. Prayer and fasting are meant to strengthen our souls and instruct us in the way of love, charity, patience, prudence, alms giving, etc. The church has also assigned the Sundays before and during Lent to inspiring Saints and events to help keep us on track. These messages are all a call to action to help us to prepare to receive the body and blood of our risen Lord. His warm embrace awaits us.

All priests do not have the blessing to minister the sacrament of confession. I myself do not have the blessing. However, we are surrounded by many priests in our local area who are happy to receive any of us. We are all in the same boat my brothers and sisters as all priests and bishops confess their sins to each other.

Lastly, I wanted to express my gratitude to Almighty God for blessing me abundantly with the flock of St. George in Schenectady. Presvytera Catherine and I have been received with open arms from the first moment we arrived. We warmly anticipate this holy season and expect many fruits of joy, spirituality, and solidarity to come from both our personal journey and our journey as a community.

I wish you all Kalo Triodion and Kali Sarakosti!

In Christ, Fr. Neofitos Sarigiannis





## Saturday of Souls- Feb 22, 29, and March 7

Give rest, O Christ, among the Saints to the souls of Your servants, where there is no pain, no sorrow, no grieving, but life everlasting. **Kontakion of Saturday of Souls** 

**\$10 - Saturday of Souls Kolyva Plate-** We at St. George will provide Kolyva for those who wish to order. Please call the office to place your order. Names may be submitted to the office or on the service day.

**Saturday of Souls**- The Church, in her Divinely inspired wisdom, designated all Saturdays "Soul Saturdays" for all the reposed from the beginning of time utill today, who await the final judgment. We who are alive today have the opportunity and responsibility to pray for those who are asleep. On February 23 (Judgment Sunday) we make commemoration of the Second Coming of Christ. Since the reposed have neither been judged, nor have received their final judgment, the Church rightly commemorates the souls on the Saturday before, and trusting in the boundless mercy of God, she prays Him to have mercy on sinners. This also serves to remind us of our own temporal reality in this world and helps us repent and focus on our eternal soul. We too will one day need the prayers of the living.

#### Memorial Service- Memorial Plate and Kolyva (<u>https://orthodoxwiki.org/Kollyva</u>)

The Kolyva are symbolic of the resurrection of the dead on the day of the Second Coming of the Lord. St. Paul said, "what you sow does not come to life unless it dies" (I Corinthians 15:36), and St. John, "unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit" (John 12:24).

## **Our Youth** - St. George Youth Group invites the community to 3 awesome events!

- Saturday, February 22 at 5pm The Youth Group Presents- Saturday Night at the Movies featuring: "The Fourth Wise Man". Snacks and pizza will be available for a small purchase.
- Saturday, April 4 Youth Retreat at St. Basils in Troy.
- Friday, Apr 10 at 5:30pm Family Palm making event- Youth mini-retreat
- June Year end Community Picnic- Details TBA

We are looking for Sunday School teachers. We are looking for interest in Greek school for youth and adults for the 2020-2021 school year.

All youth workers will undergo Youth Protection Training which is now mandatory across the nation in the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese.



## **AHEPA Schenectady Chapter 125**

Happy New Year to everyone! First and foremost, we would like to welcome Father Neofitos and Presbytera to our parish! We look forward to a long and prosperous future together. Our Schenectady AHEPA Chapter 125 has entered the new year with great spirit and looks forward to continuing our efforts in growing the chapter, raising money with unifying community events, and assisting with the revitalization of the Saint George parish. Our brotherhood is strong and very connected, resourceful and progressive. We would like to see new members join, both Greek and non-Greek (philhellenes). Meetings are the first Tuesday of every month. Location varies. If interested to attend a meeting to learn more, no obligations, please contact Phil Menagias at 518-857-2669.

Καλη υγεία και ευτυχία στο νέο έτος!

Sincerely, Phillip Menagias

## Schenectady AHEPA Chapter 125 Supports Greek School

By The National Herald Staff January 27, 2020

Left to right: Hari Kingra, Bill Manikas, Vice President James Gaminde, Rev. Fr. Neofitos Sarigiannis, and Steve Giakoumis. Photo: George Cotzas

SCHENECTADY, NY – Schenectady AHEPA Chapter 125 Vice President, James Gaminde, on behalf of President Fillipos "Phil" Menagias presented St. George Greek Orthodox Church and Hellenic Center in Schenectady with an \$800 contribution to go towards the establishment of a Greek

School, and to help with maintenance and upkeep of St. facilities Georae's and grounds. The presentation was done in conjunction with St. George's Christmas Tree festivities Lighting December 6. on 2019.





## Introducing our NEW Bible Study/Book Club

## Begins on Monday, February 10<sup>th</sup> – 6:30pm-7:30pm (Every Monday)

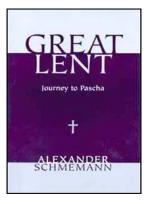
**1<sup>st</sup> ASSIGNMENT:** We will be discussing the introduction and Chapter 1 on Monday.

Great Lent by Alexander Schmemann-Buy your copy today for \$12 Please see Presvytera Catherine at Coffee hour or call the office.

Below is our Book Club/ Bible Study Schedule. Every Monday at 6:30pm. Only 2/17, there will be no class.

2/10/2020

2/17/2020 No class (President's Day) 2/24/2020 3/2/2020 3/9/2020 3/16/2020 3/23/2020 3/30/2020 4/6/2020



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The Fourth Wise Man"

Saturday, February 22 from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM

St. George's Greek Orthodox Church Youth

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The youth are sponsoring Movie Night! All are invited to come and see "The Fourth Wise Man" Admission is free. There will be pizza drinks and snacks available for purchase. Proceeds will benefit our Youth programs. Please RSVP by February 15.



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### **Did You Miss it?** (events in the last few months)

#### National Church Music Sunday - October 6, 2019

**Fellowship Trip-** St. George Fellowship Trip to the Lake George Dinner Theatre on October 10, 2019 **Ordination and Hierarchical Divine Liturgy -**We celebrated the ordination of Deacon Neofitos Sarigiannis to the Priesthood with His Grace Bishop Andonios of Phasiane presiding on November 9, 2019

**St. Andrew Feast-** November 30, 2019 – Clergy and laity from the surrounding churches from the brotherhood of St. Andrew and the Hodson Valley brotherhood joined us in Celebration of St. Andrew with Divine Liturgy followed by Refreshments.

**2019 Ladies Philoptochos Society Christmas Dinner -** The annual Christmas Dinner was held on December 3, 2019 at the Bellevue Café in Schenectady, NY

**Christmas Tree Lighting -** In honor of St. Nicholas, we held an Artoclasia service in the church followed by Christmas caroling and hot cocoa in the hall on December 6, 2019

**Stop and Go Didactic/Teaching Liturgy -** On December 15, 2019 we had a Stop and Go Didactic/Teaching Liturgy. Fr. Neofitos explained the various parts of the service, the significance of the Priest's vestments, and answered many questions.

Christmas Eve Service - December 24, 2019

**2020 Vasilopita-** Cutting of the Vasilopita on January 5, 2020

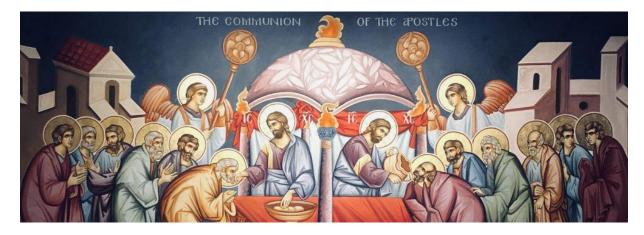
## Upcoming Events

Monday, February 10, 2020	9:00 AM - 11:00 AM Orthros & Divine Liturgy - St. Charalambos Feastday
	6:30 PM – 7:30 PM Bible Study/Book Club
Thursday, February 13, 2020	11:30 AM Senior Fellowship – United Buffett
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Saturday, February 15, 2020	11:00 AM Adaline Ann Antonovich Baptism
Sunday, February 16, 2020	9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy –
	Sunday of the Prodigal Son
Tuesday, February 18, 2020	6:30 PM Parish Council Meeting
Thursday, February 20, 2020	6:30 PM Philoptochos Meeting
Saturday, February 22, 2020	9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy -
	1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday of Souls and Memorial Service
	12:00 PM Adeline Grace Holdsworth Baptism
Sunday, February 23, 2020	9:00 AM – 11:00 AM Orthros & Divine Liturgy –
	Judgement Sunday (Meatfare)
	Athanasio Stamoulis 40 Memorial
Monday, February 24, 2020	6:30 PM – 7:30 PM Bible Study/Book Club
Tuesday, February 25, 2020	10:00 AM Soup Kitchen Prep
	12:00 PM Soup Kitchen Serve – sponosred by Eliana
	Georgelos in memory of Gregory Georgelos
	and Loula (Argyro) D'Jimas
Wednesday, February 26, 2020	6:30 PM Festival planning meeting



Saturday, February 29, 2020	9:00 AM — 11:00 AM Orthros & Divine Liturgy 2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday of Souls and Memorial 1:00 PM — 3:30 Philoptochos Workshop - St. Sophia's,
Sunday, March 1, 2020	9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy- Forgivness Sunday (Cheesefare Sunday) 5:00 PM Sunday Vespers – St. Andrews Brotherhood
	6:30 PM Lenten Meal hosted by our Parish
Monday, March 2, 2020	Clean Great Monday
	6:30 PM - 7:30 PM Bible Studay/Book Club – Great Lent by Schmemann
Wednesday, March 4, 2020	6:30 PM Presanctified Liturgy
	8:00 PM Lenten Meal hosted by our Parish
Friday, March 6, 2020	6:30 PM Salutations to the Virgin Mary
Saturday, March 7, 2020	9:00 AM - 11:00 AM Orthros & Divine Liturgy - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday of Souls and Memorial Service
Sunday, March 8, 2020	9:00 AM – 11:00 AM Orthros & Divine Liturgy- Sunday of Orthodoxy
	5:00 PM Vespers – St. Basil's OCA, Watervliet

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"The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen" 2 Corinthians 13:14